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SUBJECT:NEW YORK TIMES STORY ALLEGES CIA INVOLVED IN COUP
AGAINST NKRUMAH

1. NEW YORK TIMES OF MAY 9 CARRIED PAGE 6 STORY HEADLINED
"CIA SAID TO HAVE AIDED PLOTTERS WHO OVERTHREW KNHUMAH
IN GHANA." STORY CITES BOOK BY FORMER CIA EMPLOYEE JOHN
STOCKWELL, BUT SEEMS TO DERIVE MOST DETAILS FROM UNIDENTI-
FIED INTELLIGENCE SOURCES. STORY SAYS IT WAS WELL KNOWN
IN CIA THAT GHANA STATION, WITH UP TO TEN OFFICERS, PLAYED
MAJOR ROLE IN COUP AGAINST NKRUMAH. STOCKWELL IS QUOTED
AS SAYING CIA WAS ORDERED BY HIGHER AUTHORITIES NOT TO
INVOLVE ITSELF IN COUP, BUT DID SO ANYWAY. OTHER SOURCES
SAID STATION CHIEF WAS ENRAGED THAT CIA HEADQUARTERS TURNED
DOWN HIS IDEA TO ARRANGE RAID ON CHINESE EMBASSY, TO STEAL
SECRET MATERIALS. STORY SAYS CIA DID, HOWEVER, HAVE
GENEROUS BUDGET FOR OPERATION, WHICH NETTED SOVIET
CLASSIFIED MILITARY EQUIPMENT. THESE MATERIALS WERE
ALLEGEDLY TRANSFERRED BY A SECRET FLIGHT TO WASHINGTON
AFTER PAYMENT OF DOLS 100,000.

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